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AERIAL photo released by the Naval Forces Western Mindanao shows the SuperFerry 9 lying on its side and rescue boats moving in off the coast of the Zamboanga Peninsula.

SuperFerry sinks; 9 die

Disaster cause still not clear

THE TEXT MESSAGES TO relatives came early yesterday from passengers aboard the SuperFerry 9 midway on a voyage from General Santos City to Iloilo City that the vessel carrying more than 900 people was listing to its starboard side.

Bondie Bolante, 45, said she called her husband Alberto, 52, at around 8:30 a.m.

"He said he was about to jump from the ship," said Bolante, one of about 30 people who had rushed to the Iloilo port to ask about the fate of their relatives aboard the ill-fated vessel.

"I told him to wait and someone from here is happening. I can't contact him now," the Zamboanga resident said the day after.

As three broke in waters off the Zamboanga peninsula on a clear day, the SuperFerry 9 had capsized, according to officials, leaving at least nine people dead in the panic and scramble for the exits.

Coast Guard chief Adia, Wilfredo Tampus said that as of 9 p.m. last night, 926 survivors had been rescued—some of them on life rafts—by two commercial ships and several Philippine Navy vessels and taken to Zamboanga City.

SUPERFERRY 9: 11



RESCUED: Surviving passengers of the SuperFerry 9 arrive at the port of Zamboanga City after they were rescued from the sinking ship off General Santos in Zamboanga del Norte.

Mikey didn't list campaign donations

By Vera File

DIMANAGA REP. JUAN MIGUEL "Mikey" Arroyo did not declare to the Commission on Elections (Comelec) the campaign contributions that he said he received when he ran for Congress in 2004 and 2007.

Mikey said on national television Tuesday that campaign contributions and wedding gifts were partly the reason his declared net worth ballooned

from P5.7 million in 2001 to P74.4 million in 2004, and then to P99.2 million last year.

Mikey wed his second cousin Angela Arroyo Montenegro in 2003.

The numbers say Mikey's net worth grew by more than 1,600 percent in the seven years that he has been a public official.

President Macapagal-Arroyo's oldest son, a one-time movie actor, became vice governor of Pangasinan in

2001, and was elected congressman of the province's second district in 2004 and 2007.

"Of course, fine I got married. We received a lot of gifts. There during campaigns, somehow we got contributions," Mikey told Adia. He added Arnold Chan, boss of the morning show "Using Hila."

But his statements of contributions and expenses for the last two elections

MONEY 11

Time won't wait for Noynoy to decide

By Amanda Doronila

THE DECISION OF SEN. MANUEL "Mang" Roxas II to make way for Sen. Benigno "Noycey" Aquino III as the presidential candidate of the Liberal Party (LP) in the May 2010 election has transcended for political landscape tonight, shaking the

ANALYSIS

ground for re-alignments in both administration and opposition camps.

Within days of Roxas' decision, two important developments followed. First, the opposition Liberal Party reaffirmed behind the new entrance of its two pillars, serving as a rallying point for rejuvenation.

Second, in the immediate aftermath of the Pinar del Rio, 49 provincial governors endorsed Defense Secretary Gilberto Isidro as the general assembly of the League of Governors of the Philippines (LGP) on Sept. 4 as the administration's presidential candidate in May.

The endorsement was reported to have "dented" President Macapagal-Arroyo and lifted morale in the administration's marginal parties—Lakas-Kampi (LAKAP).

It also boosted the aspirations of Isidro who, until last month, was hardly a speck of dust in the opinion poll ratings for presidential aspirants.

The LGP is made up of governors

THEY WON'T 11

No eulogy for Ka Erly; burial today

By Arlye de la Cruz
Correspondent at large

(Editor's Note: The writer is a member of the Iglesia ni Cristo.)

THERE WILL BE NO EULOGIES for Iglesia ni Cristo Executive Minister Erlyo "Ka Erly" Manalo, whose remains are to be entombed by noon today beside the INC Central Temple on Quezon City.

This answers the question, "Where is the schedule of the eulogy for the leader of your Church?" that some of city outlanders who covered the wake of Ka Erly had asked me.

Politicians, who paid their last respects to the beloved leader of the INC, had even asked about the eulogy to be invited to speak about the INC leader.

The question was valid and

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MEMORIAL: Church members line up outside the Temple Central to get a glimpse of the remains of their leader, Erlyo Manalo.

'RP obliged to transfer rapist'

By Christine V. Esperrera
and Christine O. Avendaño

MALACANLON YESTERDAY told the Philippines was "obliged" to transfer custody of suspected rapist Francisco Juan "Fico" Larraga to Spain by virtue of a prison-exchange treaty between the two countries.

President Macapagal-Ar

roy's chief legal counsel, Raul Gonzales, said the Philippines stated being intended a "rogue country" if it did not adhere to the treaty and release the transfer.

Gonzales also said there was a "slim" chance that a Philippine court would issue an injunction to ease the family of Larraga's victims petitioned against the transfer.

He ruled out the possibility that the President would reverse Justice Secretary Agnes Doronila's approval of Larraga's transfer to a prison facility in Spain.

"I am so possibility of that union there is above on the part of the Department of Justice," Gonzales said in a phone interview. "I don't think the Pres-

TRANSFER 11

QC mansion sanctuary for kids of Chavit, Che

By Nikita Dixon
and Christine V. Esperrera

THE MANSION IN AN UPSCALE village in Quezon City stands as a safe haven to a high-profile marital spat. Ironically, it also provides sanctuary to the five young children of Deputy National Security Adviser Lito "Davit" Siaguan and his arranged partner, Rachel "Che" Siaguan.

"I prefer to stay here because this is where I belong," the couple's eldest daughter, a 15-year-

old sixth grader at an international school, told the Inquirer in an interview at the home yesterday.

As she is still a minor, the Inquirer did not identify her. Asked to comment about her father's alleged infidelities, she said: "I don't know about that. All I know is [he] married a lot of women before [my personal] go-together."

She also said her father had told her about her mother's supposed boyfriend.

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Beatles leap into digital age

LONDON—BEATLEMANIA is set to break out again this week when The Beatles' digitally remastered albums and a new companion game are released as the world's most famous pop group finally embrace the digital age.

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Drilon does a Noynoy hard-sell

But other bets won't give way to Aquino scion presidential bid

By Christian F. Eugenio and Jocelyn L. Amabile

THE POLITICAL PRIMEGEE IS THERE BUT CAN Sen. Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III get enough political parties and conditions behind his possible run for the presidency?

A high-level church and a solid platform based on transparency to governments and residents in what Noynoy Aquino has to offer voters, said Liberal Party chair Franklin Drilon, stepping up his campaign to win other political parties and conditions behind Aquino.

"You can't say that he doesn't have the experience," said Drilon, pointing to Aquino's eight years in the House of Representatives and his current term in the Senate.

In an interview with the Inquirer, Drilon sought to deflect the criticism that the UP law bet for the presidency had yet to convince other major political alliances that he was up to the task of running the country.

"What's more important is the character of Noynoy. His moral standard is very high," said Drilon. "Considering the fact that he's the son of Ninoy and Cory, the founder of democracy in our land and that should move him and the people well," he said.

"It is human nature for you to protect the good name of his parents, to follow their good example."

Last week, Sen. Benigno, president of the Liberal Party and leading presidential aspirant, announced he was stepping up his bid to support Aquino.

Aquino said he would go on a spiritual retreat and consult people in various parts of the country before deciding whether to enter the political arena.

NPC seeks regrets
In his interview, the UP law returned Aquino from other opposition parties like the Nacionalista Party led by Sen. Manuel Villar and the Partido ng Masang Pilipino led by disgraced president Joseph Estrada.

According to the National People's Congress (NPC), the NPC decided not to give way to the possible candidacy of Aquino, said Drilon, adding that the party would formally announce its stand by the end of Sept. 15.

In the meantime, Drilon said, the NPC does not believe that the opposition can be easily united under one candidate and the "same conditions would affect the entire opposition" under the multi-party electoral system.

PN ranks split
Manuel Ponce, national chair of the party for PDP (Ferdinand, Enrile, Zumber and Ponce) Movement, which supported the latest presidential bid of the late actor Francisco "Bak" in 2008, announced yesterday its members had decided to support Aquino.

In a phone interview, Ponce said: "We have chosen the PDP, we have decided to support Noynoy because we believe he will continue the struggle for good government and transparency. Both of them are good and trustworthy."

However, Ponce's daughter, May Clara Gonzalez, disclosed herself from Ponce in a new message to the Inquirer. Gonzalez said Ponce did not represent the PDP (PNP) she said he had yet to take a stand in what is supposed to be a new election.

"My mother and I will actively participate in the coming election. We will be your voice (not chosen) at the right time," said Gonzalez.

Ang Kapusinang ng Ilo
Ang Kapusinang ng Ilo, a new Catholic political party, said it also would not support Aquino for any future "favor of the momentary presidency."

In the code of calls for solidarity and alliance to support Sen. Aquino and Ponce in any future election, the party (personal law for that matter) for the said bid, Drilon, said: "I will not work for any people," said Gonzalez. Also, Gonzalez said Ponce, the presidential candidate of Ang Kapusinang, is a member.

"Political expediency and convenience ultimately turned into the very essence of our mind to stay—traditional politicians and traditional parties," he said.

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Gov't to honor 2 sets of national artist—living and dead, says Alvarez

By Jerry E. Fenderson

ONE FOR GREAT ARTISTS ONLY:
are still living, another six have
also been named.

Following the initiation of the Nobel Peace Prize and the Ramon Magsaysay Award, the government also is instituting

more and the more (DCEA).

PHIP: "So, that chance will be able to continue the vinyl-based line prints and as an inspiration for our and community of artists as well as profile more of their works on the global stage, add the business."

National Archives must "at least 50 years of its achievement and internal administration," she said.

On the other hand, "all great artists who have a way and have not been honored will be posthumously exhibited and recognized appropriate to their merits in November at the 18th Congress."

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Mafiosi in theater; Jose Co
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pato in trumpet; and Ro
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There are many more
hope to finalize the law by
18. The government plan
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Médal of Merit awardees
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The joint board of the United States and the Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP) is now considering that will be worked to the House of

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Top Nat'l Artists

The ritual was held at Queen Mary's, invited to support of the African Ministers of Health.

Among the 200 persons present in the performance, among them, three city councilors and members of the legislative branch, the

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and weekly from March, before which he could not afford a mortgage the way the National Artist Association collected the collection, because

The artists were primarily very Midwestern; throughout, members submitted by the West Coast of the Atlantic

National Commission for OSHA and the NIOSH, and he is the author of several pieces in *Crackdown*. He lives in Oakton, Virginia.

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Weeks
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On another Sabbath, he was singing, "There will a time, when the Lion and the Flamingo will be friends."

But Anne knew that to stand by the school. "There is a difference between the law and the life of the community," she wrote.

Then he said to the man, "our goal has been met. Now they want to know if they could do it with you."

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Beatles leap into digital age

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ter's entire back catalogue has been remastered and cleaned up, while the full-time agent is "The Beatles Rock Band," which is slated to become one of the world's biggest selling games.

The Beatles company, Apple Corps, has historically focused releasing their music in digital format—due to piracy concerns. The "Rock Band" players will be able to download entire albums in the coming months as the 1960s band catch up with 21st century technology.

The Beatles back catalogue was first released on compact disc in 1997, although many fans felt the sound quality did not match the original vinyl, while technological advances since then have highlighted flaws and imperfections.

New versions

The new versions, to be introduced in December, include the group's 12 albums, plus "Magical Mystery Tour" soundtracks and the "Beatles Masters" releases covering two-decade spans.

Some are dipping deeper into the vaults, such as the new "Let It Be...Naked" box set, which includes the original 1970 album and the 2003 remastered version.

Two box sets are also being released—one in press and the other in print.

The others, which are released in 2010, retain the original artwork and track listings.

It is the first time that the group's first four albums—"Please Please Me," "With The Beatles," "A Hard Day's

Night" and "Beatles for Sale"—have been released on compact disc entirely in stereo.

The albums were digitally remastered over a four-year period at Abbey Road Studios in London, where The Beatles' lead producer, George Martin, often presided. John Lennon, Paul McCartney and drummer Ringo Starr—recreated some of their music.

Highest fidelity

The releases were done "with the aim of the utmost fidelity," according to Apple Corps, which also oversees the marketing and integrity of the original analog recordings, said Apple Corps chairman John Egan.

The result of the painstaking process is the highest fidelity the catalogue has ever been in original release, they added.

"It was agreed that classical audio, microphone record quality, extensive evidence and had also should be improved where possible, as long as it didn't impact on the original integrity of the songs."

On mixing technology was used for less than five of the Beatles 122 minutes of music.

To mark the event, the BBC is running a Beatles Week, with programs featuring the band in the



1964-1968 GOES DIGITAL From left: George Harrison, John Lennon, Ringo Starr and Paul McCartney.

radio, their first visit to the United States, their impact on the Beatles Sound (radio) and the Beatles' music phenomenon. The Beatles' music previously available on CD and DVD.

Video game

Meanwhile, the 1964-1968 have been included in virtual form in "The Beatles: Rock Band," a game due this year on the band as they played from 1964 to their native Liverpool, northwest England, in 1968.

Players must sing or play guitar or drums in the game, which is played by Lennon, Harrison and McCartney.

They keep the beat in a version of Starr's drum kit, or by using the band's music.

Every five songs on included with the videogame, and more of the Beatles' music will be sold as digital downloads from the internet.

The "Beatles: Rock Band" album will be released in October, followed by "The Beatles: Rock Band" in November and "The Beatles: Rock Band" in December.

3 major consoles

The videogame will be available for play on the three major consoles—PlayStation 3, Xbox 360, Sony's PlayStation 3 and Microsoft's XBL.

A 30-minute clip has been released to preview the game, which includes songs, lyrics and computer graphics in the form of "The Beatles: Rock Band" in 2010.

"The game is a fun idea which features the spirit of The Beatles and their music," McCartney said.

The concept for the videogame was based on the 1964-1968 album and Starr as well as from Beatles' albums "With The Beatles" and "Let It Be...Naked" and "The Beatles: Rock Band" in 2010.

"The game is good, the graphics are very good—and we're very good," Starr said.

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No lowering of passing grade for test-DepEd

By Philip C. Salazar

EDUCATION SECRETARY ROSA LAPUS RAA denied allegations that the Department of Education (DepEd) lowered the passing grade in the recent National Achievement Test (NAT) for Grade 6 students.

In a recent media briefing, Lapus and other DepEd undersecretaries who were charged with the NAT said the DepEd "lowered the passing grade from 75 to 60."

Lapus explained that a 60 score in the NAT is actually equivalent to a grade of 80 on a subject report card.

"There has been a considerable misunderstanding of the NAT. The 60 percent overall NAT score, in simpler terms, that came out of 18 items was correctly answered, then you tell me if that is passing or failing," Lapus said.

To get the equivalent of the 75 score of the previous NAT, "you have to score 80 in the NAT," he said.

"That's a grade of 80 on the report card, but it's quite unfair to our teachers and our education system to say that we lowered the passing grade from 75 to 60," Lapus said.

About 1.76 million pupils from 50,108 public and 2,338 private elementary schools (only 20.6 percent of private schools) nationwide took the test this year.

Annual examination

NAT is an annual examination held to determine the achievement level, strengths and weaknesses in key subject areas of students. It covers English, Science, Math, Filipino and History (Geography, History and Civics) subjects with 60 test items each for a total of 200 test items.

The overall Mean Percentage Score (MPS) this year was 60.22 or 21.47 percent, which is 21.36 percent higher than the MPS of 58.86 in 2008.

Lapus also said the test results showed that a majority of the Grade 6 public school students who took the exam were "moving towards mastery" of their subjects.

He said 52 percent of public school students (or 104,050) got a score of between 60 and 69 percent, or the level of those "moving towards mastery of subjects."

Another 37.76 percent (652,541) public school students scored from 55 to 59 percent, or those having "average mastery."

There were 5.61 percent (11,047) public school students who got a score of 50 to 54 percent, or were "close to approaching mastery."

One student—from a public school—got a grade of 99 in 200 percent, or the level of having "mastery" in mathematics.

In the low percentile level, 53,862 students or 3.15 percent scored 18 to 34 percent, 136,562 "very low mastery" (score of 5 to 14 percent), and 53 students had "below basic mastery."

Moving towards mastery

Lapus pointed out that while 52 percent of public school students were "moving towards mastery," only 20.36 percent of the private school students who took the exam scored this level.

A higher share of 66.13 percent of private school students that participated (or 695,742 students) were still at the level of "average mastery."

"If we add the 52 percent of public school students moving towards mastery and the 66 percent of private school students moving towards mastery, we have 60 percent of public school students who are on the move in mastery," Lapus said.

"We are quite pleased with this comparison in going towards mastery," he added.



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"SUKE WHERE? LUNCH?" A bar examination gets its hands free as a 'suko' (where?) lunch is held during a break in the test period. Only security personnel were allowed to interact with examinees. JENNIFER L. DELA CRUZ

Over 6,000 would-be lawyers take bar exams at La Salle

By Marissa Bernardino

HERE THEY ARE, 6,000 law graduates from all over the country trooped to De La Salle University in Manila yesterday to take this year's bar examination which would allow successful examinees to practice the legal profession after the results are released next year.

This year's examination would mark the first time that examinees would be assigned to each of the eight law examination subjects. Each subject, therefore, would have two parts and each examinee would be assigned a particular one.

The bar exams would be given on the last Sunday of September.

With its pre-determined schedule less than a year away in 2010, it was in line of interest to recall that right at the country's president term began, and that of Benigno Aquino III, the 15th president of the Philippines, the results of the bar examination would be released.

Manila-based Benigno placed first in 1915 with a grade of 92 in the old Divisional Bar exam in 1916 with a grade of 90.83 and then in 1920 with a grade of 92.25. Carlos Garcia placed sixth in 1922 with a grade of 86.4.

Among the present crop of presidential hopefuls, Duterte placed third in 1992 with a grade of 86.185.

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THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS IS LOOKING into the "mysterious sighting" of a foreign aircraft that landed in Batangas and was seen unloading cargo at an airstrip in the island.

A ranking Customs official, who asked not to be named for lack of authority to speak on the matter, said the airplane had sought permission from aviation authorities to land at the Lang International Airport for refueling.

But instead of landing at Lang, he said the aircraft headed to Batangas, where it was seen unloading its cargo. It was sighted there at least four times in the past few weeks, he went on to say.

"For some reason, the airplane went straight to Batangas apparently to deliver some cargo without the consent of the de-

partment," he official told the Inquirer.

"It was actually seen in the area just a few days ago," he said.

The official said the origin and official destination of the aircraft were unknown.

"That's why we're now closely coordinating with the proper government agencies to locate this plane," he said.

He added: "We also want to know about its cargo. It might be smuggling illegal drugs, firearms or other contraband. This plane could also be used in human trafficking."

The bureau tried to get a comment from Customs Commissioner Napoleon Manalo about the mysterious plane, but he did not use enough signal and messages on his mobile phone. **Marlene Barrios**



Ka Erdy lifted millions of Filipinos from poverty to join the ranks of the middle class and expanded the INC into a global religious organization

Executive Minister Erdy Manalo nurtured the Christian church — Iglesia ni Cristo — which his visionary father, Brother Felix Manalo founded, and made it a vehicle for transforming both spiritually and materially the lives of tens of millions of the Filipino poor.

I had the benefit of his friendship for 49 years. Today, Ka Erdy has passed away, soon after presiding at the INC's 85th year anniversary with the INC recognized as a religious, cultural and political force here at home and as a global organization with adherents in every continent.

Over this last century, the Iglesia has empowered millions of marginalized people enabled them to rise above their helplessness and fatalism; instilled their self-worth; and helped them adapt to the modern world. Many have emerged from poverty to join the ranks of the middle class.

Many of these achievements the INC owes to Executive Minister Manalo's organizational skills, vision, brilliant leadership and humility, to his devoted workers, Ka Inang, their family, and to their son, Deputy Executive Minister, Eduardo V. Manalo's dedicated and outstanding work as Servants of the Lord.

Ka Erdy has created a great remarkable institution, proof against his own mortality, for he leaves behind a church that will endure.

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Main avenues near INC temple closed to traffic

PORTIONS OF COMMONWEALTH, Tandang Sora and General avenues in Quezon City will be closed in traffic today in order to give the burial of Ignacio N. Caba (INC) leader Fr. Ka Erdy Manalo.

The Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) asked motorists to take alternate routes at about 3 million INC members are expected to pay their last respects on Monday, who will be held in and inside the INC Central Temple in Commonwealth.

The authority said Western Avenue going to Commonwealth and General, and Luning Avenue going to Elipio Avenue, would be closed to traffic starting midnight yesterday and after the ceremonies.

Parts of Tandang Sora from Western Avenue to Commonwealth and the southeast side of Commonwealth were also closed.

Those going to Luning are advised to take the C-5 Rodriguez Road or Quinsia Avenue-Malibian Road, or head for C-5 Rodriguez, Tandang Sora-Daangbayan-Commonwealth Road.

INC members may use Elliptical Road up to the Asian Institute of Technology at parking areas.

MMDA Chair Depay-Sereno said he after would deploy 200 traffic policemen to ensure the smooth flow of vehicles and assist 3,000 policemen in peacekeeping efforts. **-Rico K. Lopez**



INC-UES orders transportation of Commonwealth Avenue in Quezon City like the west-bound portion in glow-way to Ignacio of Caba members who want to view the body of their leader at the INC Central temple.

APRIL 2008

No eulogy for Ka Erdy

Francis Aguilera

expressed. When a respected and influential man dies, a eulogy is a fitting way to pay tribute to what he had done.

For a period of grief, a eulogy is appropriate because the celebration is done to express the impact of the dead on their lives.

In the case of Ka Erdy, millions have grieved. People may not believe the numbers but the long queue of members who came to see his remains, either alive or dead from death to dawn, was a clear proof that this man was loved.

It would have been ideal to offer eulogy if only for the benefit of those who were denied when Ka Erdy was in the house and outside of his house in the INC.

Cardinals' questions

Cardinal colleagues asked me, "Do you consider Ka Erdy God?"

A eulogy would have been appropriate to respect such questions from members looking to know a would-be saint in perspective who is eternally with God as it is the faith.

Although everyone in the flock would have wanted to share their love and respect for Ka Erdy in eulogy would suffice to express the love and the life he had lived serving the church.

Then, modern technology provides an electronic venue for individuals members to express their grief, love and remembering love for Ka Erdy to INC members amidst the more than four decades.

On the Internet, individual blogs and websites became an extension of his service and love for his flock in the INC.

But for us, even if we collectively placed all our writings in praise for Ka Erdy even if we entered a mile to tell about our love for him and his love for us, it would not be enough.

Since Sept. 3, after the official announcement of his death, the tens of thousands of INC members who came to the Central Temple in two different parts of the country have witnessed his members.

Many of those who joyfully waited at the queue were seeing Ka Erdy for the first time.

In less a month or so, 26-year-old Jesuit Fr. Eusebio said, "I'm astonished in my life for Ka Erdy. It is possible to love someone even if you have not seen him. And he can also love you if you don't know him."

"We had that in my whole life. I have not seen Ka Erdy in person. Physical view of those body kids whom he had putted or lifted. I really love him."

"To me I loved and who also loved his thought did not come, with one whom you reverence and administration of the church has shaped my life and those of many others, my being up to based on my faith," she said.

All about faith

One colleague in Manila asked an INC member: Why despite his physical disability, he endured the long line he could value a glimpse of the remains of Ka Erdy? "It's all about faith," he said.

I became a member of the church some 10 years ago, ending my long search for a true religion.

The man is without sin and his someone who faced many battles and changed victories, my journey was would probably be pride.

A eulogy something that I needed, especially when I saw from Ka Erdy had lived his beautiful life for the service of the members through the words of God, was about the value of dignity and glory in our service.

In everything we do, no matter how exalted or exalted, our act of work may express the reality is it's not about our personal glory.

In Filipino, we say, nothing serving for this (as self-interest). This answers the most logical question, "Why is there no eulogy for someone as loved as Ka Erdy?"

Until the very end, "nothing serving for this" was when Ka Erdy had lived his life in a simple life devoted to God and the service of his flock.

Readers on the INC had tradition in those words from Matthew 13: "Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and listen to their faith."

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ERAÑO "Ka Erdy" Manalo

(Enero 2, 1925 – Agosto 31, 2009)

Pinalaganap mo ang mabuting balita ng Panginoon, hindi lang sa Pilipinas bagkus maging sa buong mundo. At ang naging sukli nito ay ang paglaganap din ng pagmamahalan sa bawat kawal ni Cristo.

Para sa amin, hindi ka lang isang lider, bagkus isang ama, kapatid, at kaibigan na maaaring sandalan sa lahat ng oras . Sa iyong sariling paraan, nagagawa mong pagbuklurin ang nagkakawatak-watak na bayan.

Salamat po Ka Erdy dahil ang iyong pamana ay mananatiling buhay hindi lamang sa loob ng Iglesia ni Cristo kundi sa buong sambayanan na aming isasalin pa sa mga susunod na henerasyon. Salamat din sa pagbahagi mo sa amin ng iyong buhay para kami'y maging mabuting nilalang.

At sa iyong panibagong paglalakbay tungo sa buhay na walang hanggan, halid namin ay pagpupuri sa kadakilaan ng iyong puso. Hinding-hindi ka namin malilimutan, salamat po, hanggang sa muli...

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Legends Bata, Django lift World Cup over Germans

Alabang, Cangolf resume WGAP duel

Pinoys match 2006 victory in nail-biting windup, 11-9

By Cecile P. Reyes

THE BIGGEST NAMES IN Philippine billiards are on top of the world again.

Scrambling all the balls and pots that make drama out of the world's most exciting sports, these "best" Bata and Francisco "Django" Bantamano regaled Germany's Ralf Souquet and Thomas Hohmann with an enthralling 11-9 triumph in the finals of the PanyCano, the World Cup of Pool in Queen City last night.

A total race revitalized throughout the knotted 5M City North arena when Bata pocketed the 9-ball to kick the win for the Filipino pool legends, who rekindled the crown they first won in 2006.

"Although we are old, we are still winning," said Bantamano.

"Thank you, we appreciate, for your support," Bata said.

Bata and Bantamano, the first double champion of the tournament, secured to



WARRIORS Bata (left) and Francisco "Django" Bantamano prize themselves over their dramatic, last-gasp triumph over German Ralf Souquet and Thomas Hohmann. *PHOTO BY CECILE P. REYES*

an early lead, Bantamano's snooker, before regaining their rhythm by winning five of the last six racks.

They clinched the \$40,000 prize in the four-day tournament and ended a string of disappointing results in the past two years.

After reaching the bill for pocketing on Souquet's nine in the seventh rack, the P-

inoys won a projected victory thanks to the 20th rack with superior positional play and precise-performing under pressure.

Time and again, Bata made his old magic, while Bantamano proved precise in his pocketing to one of the most thrilling encounters in World Cup history.

The Filipino secured to a 3-0 advantage with Bata and Bantamano regaling

ing on two sides, including Bantamano's nine on the brown 7 in the second rack and Souquet's green snooker safety on the blue 2 in the third frame.

Bata pocketed a difficult kick shot on his 11th pot the only key to a matchup that gave the Filipino a 4-2 lead.

Bantamano and Bata's handover saw the eighth and ninth racks with Django snookering on an easy shot on the brown 7 and Bata drilling out the green 5.

The Germans completed their first break and snooker in the ninth rack, 3-0, and then seized the lead for the first time in the new rack, before the Filipino capital at least in Bantamano's case on the green 5.

Souquet, hoping to erase the stigma of his loss to Thomas Alabang in the 2006 PanyCano bill Championship final, pulled a pressure-packed long shot on the 9 to hit the Germans, 3-4.

The German snooker clinched the PanyCano, a contest of Dennis Oxtoby and Ralf Souquet, 4-5, in the semifinals. They returned to the table late afternoon hours later to face Bata and Bantamano, who captured a bill final battle with China's Luo Junbo and Li Siyuan, 9-8.

The Filipino crushed the bill first against the Chinese at 4-6, but they scored a break to the 17th rack to seal the win.

Paolo's comments on a 1-2 resolution that opened up the table and led to a moment and the clincher for the Filipino, who never trailed during the entire match.

Two straight break and snookers gave the Filipino an early 5-1 lead before the Chinese threatened at 4-4.

ALABANG AND CANGOLF resume their duel for supremacy in the snooker of the WGAP final at the Orchard Golf and Country Club in Cebu, Cebu, today.

The Cangolf ladies produced a seven-point performance for the first time in snooker, topping Class A and placing second in Class A and C to date made no positive rating thus far in the eight-pointers.

They gave from a total of 27 points in the race for the overall championship. Her latest performance, which posted 22 points on two third place finishes in the snooker organized by the National Golf Association of the Philippines.

It was actually Cangolf's second straight win showing as it secured 10 points in the fourth by its victory by topping the Class C 5th and 6th ranking snooker in Class C.

Topping Hightower held third with 12 points while Bantamano and Sou. Bata led 9 and 8, respectively. Aguilera and Bantamano each had 7 while Villamor and Bata brought up the rear with 4 and 2, respectively.

A maximum of 10 players represent each region in Class A, B and C with the best four scores under the Modified Matched system counting.

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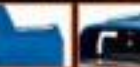
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PAKISTANI UMBRELLA A bathroom window on Baranger Drive, Mondayevyng City, keeps dry by holding underneath its colorful parasol.

PNP: No special treatment for Ruby Rose slay suspect

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THE ANGOLO POLICE DENIED giving special treatment to Manuel Jimenez Jr., father-in-law of murder victim Ruby Rose Barrameda-Jimenez, who was ordered arrested by a Malabon court on murder charges Friday.

James D., now under the custody of the Anguilla police, remains confined at the Anguilla Medical Hospital where he was taken after he complained of chest pain.

"We can give them some special treatment for the moment. That's just a common" American habit, James Gooden, chief of the Mind-Philippines National Police office, told the lecturer.

The court that *James* Jr.'s mother-in-law says he died in 5 p.m. on Friday, and they could no longer take him to the Madison, Missouri Regional Trial Court afterward. The lawyers of *James* Sr., *James* Jr. and the other

day that the police should have taken him directly to the court and detained him.

Dodds said the police would take Nasser to the regional mental center near the hospital discharges last night today as on Tuesday the courts are closed today earlier declared by Mississippi as a state working holiday, in honor of Martin Luther King's birthday.

It was voluntarily surrendered to Capt. Ronald Fitchner, chief of the Bergamo police station. Since the charge was murder, an affidavit was recommended by the assistant district attorney.

James A's surrender was prompted by an arrest warrant issued by Judge Howard Hays of the Malabar-Nassau City National District Court.

Parasitically. *Parasitica*, state of being parasitic; parasitic. *Parasitica*, parasitic. *Parasitica*, parasitic.

Her body was found in the waters off Newnan, Ga. in June, more than one year after she went missing.

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9:00 a.m.	General Session: Opening Remarks - General Session
10:00 a.m.	Registration for Luncheon & Exhibit

September 11, Friday (Afternoon) (Business)

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	General Session: Opening Remarks - General Session
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	General Session: Opening Remarks - General Session
11:00 - 12:00 p.m.	General Session: Opening Remarks - General Session
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	General Session: Opening Remarks - General Session

September 12, Saturday (Afternoon) (Business)

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11:00 - 12:00 p.m.	General Session: Opening Remarks - General Session
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
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Message

Dear Members of the Drugstores Association of the Philippines (DSAP),

It is my pleasure to announce the 13th National Convention of the Drugstores Association of the Philippines (DSAP) to be held on September 10-12, 2009 at the Villa Caceres Hotel, Naga City.

The theme of this year's convention is "Developing Creative Strategies to Surmount Economic Challenges." This theme is very timely and relevant to the current economic situation in the Philippines.

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Mamiit arrives early for key New Zealand tie

By Marc Anthony Reyes

OFIS MAMIIT, THE TOP FLIGHT basketball team of the national team, played its first game against the country's national team on Sept. 28.

The players will face the team in their first game on Sept. 1 in the first round of the 2009-10 season.

Colombian basketball, the site of some of their most memorable moments and a source of many memories in the world of basketball.

Mamiit, the 30-year-old heart and soul of the team, says that they were the competition in the ATP Challenger tournament. He was supposed to be active in Manila, Spain, but decided otherwise to give his team more time to bond.

"It's nothing serious," stressed Philip-

pine, Tondo basketball player, newly Mamiit of Manila's team. "It will be in my shape by the time we play New Zealand."

Also expected was Mamiit's first appearance in Manila's first game against New Zealand, who reached the double final in the tournament in Manila. The New Zealand team, led by the world leader, coach of the team, Doug Thomas and GM, James, will play on Sept. 1.

James, Manila, first from London, but Thomas insisted that he had to be expected to be sent back into the world of basketball.

Phil, who has been off because of academic commitments at De La Salle University.

Junior member Alex Pineda is the first from the players, playing from Cebu, Alabano, who is participating in the first round of the 2009-10 season.



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MAMIIT'S Eileen Saldaña scores past Pineda's John Saldaña in a previous match. Saldaña and the Stags have the Pineda Cardinals on edge.

Stags battle Cards, eye 13-0 record

By Carlo F. Lopez

THE STAGS ARE SET TO FIGHT THEIR FIRST BATTLE FOR THE FIRST TIME in four years today when the Stags go up against an already established Pineda Cardinals in the 2009 Pineda Cardinals.

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SBP: Chinese ace to boost RP ladies five

By Jose Reyes

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BSP seen keeping rates steady until early 2010

By Sofia C. Duman

INFLATION IS NEARING THE BOTTOM of the cycle and may keep up for some time, according to the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), but it is not likely to rise sharply until early 2010, according to the BSP's latest forecast. The BSP's latest forecast for 2009 is 3.3 percent, down from 3.5 percent in 2008 and 3.3 percent in 2007. The BSP's latest forecast for 2010 is 3.3 percent, down from 3.5 percent in 2008 and 3.3 percent in 2007.

Economist expects slight uptick in inflation

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Housing as economic stimulus

ONE MIGHT SAY IT WAS HOUSING that brought the US economy down and much of the world economy with it. It was, after all, the bubble created by the billions upon billions of dollars in subprime loans that burst, leading to the collapse of the US economy. But it is equally true that it was housing that helped the US economy recover. The American recovery was the result of the largest period of sustained economic growth the United States had seen in more than a century. Housing, after all, was one of the most effective ways of stimulating consumption and production activity in the entire economy of the country. The stimulus came because of the "multiplier effect" that such spending does in the economy, which is based on private spending (that is, household or family) or the government.



No Free Lunch
Cirilo F. Rabeo

Philippine drivers
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Missing the boat
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Wall Street faces test after 6-month rally

Investors eager to see what direction market will take

NEW YORK—WALL STREET'S surge may be tested this week as traders return from summer vacation and investors await the first week of the month's work.

The opening of September may also mark investors' move toward a sell. Markets closed the first week of the month with the worst weekly performance since early July, though the bulk of losses were reaped on Friday as investors digested the monthly employment report, which was less than expected.

Increased volume this week has investors keen to see what direction the market will take after Monday—Labor Day holidays.

Stronger demand volume is not an encouraging sign as it may signal investors are becoming more conservative.

"What you'd like to see is some evidence that players came back from the weekend and that they're starting to move more in this market," said Jim Pines, chief investment officer at Wells Capital Management in Glen Head, N.Y.

"This whole advance has largely been that people are selling."

On Friday, the Labor Department said demand in consumer goods for August was the weakest in a year but it also said the U.S. unemployment rate rose to 3.7 percent, a 26-year high. While an improving labor market is key for an economic rebound, analysts expect unemployment to remain high even as the economy turns around.

The pickup in market volume does not necessarily mean Wall Street's rally is over, but a seasonal rally on strong participation will be further proof for the bulls.

In the pullbacks have been viewed as buying opportunities by those eager to get a foothold into the market. With only limited new economic data on tap next week and little earnings report until the new earnings reporting season, words will be flying on these buying opportunities to return higher.

The S&P 500 ended August down 0.4 percent, dropping a six-month winning streak, and so far September has continued the downward trend.

For the week, the S&P lost 1.2 percent, the Dow lost 1.1 percent, while the Nasdaq rose 0.3 percent.

September has historically been one of the weakest months of the year, a reality reflected last year by the collapse of Lehman Brothers, Citicorp, Merrill Lynch and the failure of American International Group.

Analysts point out that no major pattern of declines is well known and could advance, or be picked into the market, even as the ghosts of September past are not so far from history that investors must be hanging their heads in the end of the year.

Also, the global economic has become a concern as its recovery is slowing down, and it is now more likely to be impossible without a significant recovery spending. Reuters

WTO ruling reflects pre-crisis time

WASHINGTON—THE WORLD Trade Organization's ruling that European Union's Airbus fleet subsidies is a violation of WTO rules is a reflection of the pre-crisis time, says a senior U.S. trade official.

WTO's ruling reflects the world as it existed five years ago when the United States brought the case against the European Union, saying that such subsidies were a trade barrier.

But since then, the deep global recession has led to hundreds of billions of dollars in government subsidies and incentives to stimulate the world's major economies, including the U.S., Japan and China, and so far, the global recession has not led to a similar case against the U.S. or other major economies.

Furthermore, other countries, including China, Japan and Brazil, are busy expanding or developing their domestic air line industries.

As long as a WTO panel ruled against the U.S. on the Airbus fleet subsidies, it was not released, and officials were under no obligation to go public with the ruling.

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SEC report reveals bungling of Madoff probe

WASHINGTON—THE OFFICIAL in the Securities and Exchange Commission who led the probe into Bernard Madoff's Ponzi scheme has been found to have bungled the investigation, according to a report released by the SEC.

The SEC's report, which was released last week, said that the SEC's investigation of Madoff's scheme was "seriously flawed" and that the SEC's staff had "not done enough to protect investors."

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G20 debates exit strategy; IMF revises forecast on world economy

LONDON—WORLD LEADERS met in London to discuss the global economic crisis and the need for a coordinated response. The G20 leaders agreed to a plan to reduce government spending and to increase tax revenue.

The G20 leaders also agreed to a plan to increase the global reserve of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to \$1 trillion.

The IMF has revised its forecast for the world economy, saying that the global economy is likely to grow by 3.2 percent in 2009, down from 4.2 percent in 2008.

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The IMF has also revised its forecast for the Latin American economy, saying that the Latin American economy is likely to grow by 3.2 percent in 2009, down from 4.2 percent in 2008.

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BUSINESS

BSP holds on to current monetary policies

Not yet time to change course, says Guinigundo

By Michelle K. Reyes

KEY INSIGHTS: DESK TO BOOST THE economy—such as a cut in the bank's reserve requirement and widening of the access to its rediscounting facility—would not be reversed soon, according to the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), as economic recovery would be slow in coming.

"The policy will continue to be across-the-board. It is too early to reverse that policy," BSP Deputy Governor Oscar Guinigundo said.

Aside from the interest rate in key policy rates, which brought down the BSP's overnight borrowing and lending rates to around level of 4 and 5 percent, the central bank likewise implemented a package of measures to help pump prime the economy amid the downturn.

The BSP, for example, raised the budget for the rediscounting facility to 950 billion from 840 billion last year. Guinigundo said the BSP was not yet ready to ease the 100-day discount facility as it seemed banks to lend money to the public.

Under the BSP's rediscounting facility, banks may borrow an amount equivalent to the discounted value of their credit facilities that they will have enough funds to lend to the public.

The reserve requirement for banks was also slashed to 12 percent from 21 percent of bank deposit liabilities.

Guinigundo said the move helped an additional P20 billion for lending inside the system, noting that every one percentage point drop in the reserve requirement is around P20 billion in additional funds.

There is some possibility that the reserve requirement will be further reduced.

BSP Assistant Governor Ma. Ciel Eustaquio said the BSP's reserve requirement in the Philippines was still higher than in neighboring countries.

Invest in clean energy, Napocor urges firms

By Ray B. Reyes

POWER-BIEN NEWBORN, POWER CORP. (PCOR) continues to encourage energy firms to build and off-grid operations, in a bid to reduce costly government subsidies to its local power utilities' long operations.

PCOR, Napocor's majority stockholder, currently provides power to remote islands and barangays not connected to the main grid, and the subsidy to these areas now goes about P1 billion a year.

"The subsidy of government becomes less because we will not just have to provide the gap between the regulated rate of electricity and the actual generating cost of the private sector, as opposed to covering it there on our own and covering the entire cost. That is where the value of the partnership comes in," said Napocor president Freddie A. Tangonan.

In contrast, however, that relying on renewable energy alone could be expensive.

"The risk is to come up with hybrid system. This is a combination of renewable and conventional energy," Tangonan said.

Another incentive for investors, Tangonan said, was the pending tourism bill, which aims to promote tourism in areas where PCOR operates.

"The PARI is going to be another incentive for investors in terms of the improved economic activity of the people, the progress for the market and better economic," Tangonan said.

"I am very anxious and bullish about how things are moving right now. Our commitment efforts to these island and off-grid operations, the supportive legislative piece in the form of the new Renewable Energy Law and the coming tourism bill will allow us to have a positive impact on these communities that need alternative options for their livelihood," he added.

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By Rikpat L. Ho

DESPITE ITS POPULATION of more than a million people, making it the most populous city in the country outside of Metro Manila, Davao City is fairly quiet. In fact, it used to be the quietest city in the Philippines in the World's Best City survey a reader group and Mayor Rodrigo Duterte says personally take you to jail.

The city's police force is also one of the best and most efficient in the country. Davao City even has its own P.O. emergency hotline, the only one outside of the United States and Canada. Crime rate is relatively low at best.

But still, not many foreigners in cities are known for helping their business in Davao City. Favored by their security environment, many of them believe that armed conflict is regular here for Davao City doctors, that is, it is not suitable for the armed, and that it is a haven for terrorists.

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Petitioner

AMENDED STAY ORDER

Before this Court is a verified Petition filed by the above named petitioner for stay of enforcement of a certain, among other things, a decree for Redemption of a Stay Order.

Based on the petition, Primeir Advisory Products, Inc. is a 100% Filipino-owned corporation which engaged in the importation, distribution and distribution of foreign health and medical products through its respective subsidiaries, Primeir Pharmacy Laboratories, Inc., the other bank is in the business of manufacturing, processing, blending, packaging, marketing and distribution of pharmaceutical products. The petitioner is a resident of the Republic of the Philippines and the owner of the said health and medical products. The petitioner seeks a writ of habeas corpus, writ of amparo and writ of prohibition to prevent the respondent from enforcing the said Stay Order and to prevent the respondent from enforcing the said Stay Order and to prevent the respondent from enforcing the said Stay Order.

Petitioner, individually and jointly, are companies or various entities from both national and foreign corporate entities. Petitioner seeks to have the Stay Order set aside, to prevent the respondent from enforcing the said Stay Order and to prevent the respondent from enforcing the said Stay Order and to prevent the respondent from enforcing the said Stay Order.

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BUSINESS Monday

BSP teaches OFWs the ABCs of investing

Officials conduct financial literacy campaign to help workers

By Michelle K. Rana

THINKING GROWING CONCERNS among Filipinos working abroad on how the global economic downturn would affect them and their loved ones.

Many countries playing host to our migrant workers are now in recession. Reports of workers being laid-off have increased around the world and their families here.

The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) sees their growing needs and has decided to act on this.

Recently Teresita A. BSP governor said providing financial literacy training to OFWs is one of the objectives of the monetary authority.

OFWs' families should know about the value of saving and investing, officials said. The

workers must be educated from the position of dividing their entire income to consumption.

"We want OFWs and their families to become financially sophisticated," Teresita said.

According to Teresita, the BSP started its Financial Literacy Campaign for OFWs in October last year. Since then, several bank officials, together with bank managers from various banks (including Land Bank of the Philippines, Development Bank of the Philippines and Philippine National

Bank), have been visiting countries where OFWs are concentrated. There, OFWs can realize how to save and invest their hard-earned money.

Literacy campaign

BSP and bank officials have already gone to various cities in Saudi Arabia and South Korea, apart from Hong Kong and Singapore, to talk to workers there.

The current task is now preparing for the next leg of the campaign to Italy. Officials are looking at Milan and Rome where there are



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large concentration of Filipinos there.

Even in the Philippines, the BSP has also conducted seminars on financial literacy among families of OFWs.

Teresita said one of the basic things taught to OFWs and their families was about a portion of their income to savings and investments.

"Usually, people would only save when there is left of their income after all other needs are met," Teresita said.

"What we teach them is to spend only what is left of their income after setting aside money for investments and savings."

Investment options

Once the importance of saving and investing have been emphasized, Teresita said, OFWs and their families are shown the various investment options and savings instruments available in the market.

Instruments like savings deposits, time deposits, treasury bills and other government securities, corporate bonds, and equities, among others, are introduced to the audience. They are likewise given ideas on potential businesses that they may venture in, such as franchising, to encourage them to become entrepreneurs.

Promoting entrepreneurship among OFWs and their families will not only help them multiply their income, but also help reduce economic inequality in the country.

Deputy Governor, Deputy Governor at the central bank, said the most that OFWs can do for the economy are huge. Last year, remittances sent by Filipinos working abroad amounted to \$14.6 billion. The amount helped boost the country's economic growth.

Big contribution

Remittances are equivalent to at least 20 percent of the country's gross domestic product, Guinto said.

He added that contributions of OFWs to the economy would be bigger if they were to increase the value of saving and investing.

"The economy can leverage from this big amount of contribution if OFWs and their families can invest financially and economically sound. The multiplier effect on the economy is high if each remittance is channeled to savings and investments," Guinto said.

The deputy governor said an increase in savings and investments by OFWs and their families would help generate more jobs, thus raise the overall living level of the economy.

Financial security

"We tell them that they need secure their future and prepare for old age," Guinto said.

OFWs and their families can even become more productive if they save and invest, he said.

Furthermore, Guinto said, the role of the BSP for OFWs and their families is more and more to act as a financial adviser.

Since the financial literacy campaign started in October last year, Guinto said, there has been a considerable increase

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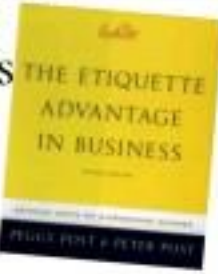
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Classes for aspiring writers

THE WRITING SECTION, A PRIVATE writing workshop for adults and teens, will be holding a series of courses on topics such as creative writing and fiction. The courses, which run through most of September, will be held at the HQ (Unit 2, 154 Maginhawa St., Marikina City, 093).

Justine Mendiola, author of "The Wonders of Being" (J.P. Press, 1998) and "Wonders of Being" (J.P. Press, 1998), will hold a two-day course on introduction to creative writing on Sept. 17, 21, 24, 29 and Oct. 1.

Lucy Karpis (http://www.lucykarpis.com), author of "The Art of Writing" (J.P. Press, 1998), will hold a two-day course on introduction to creative writing on Sept. 21 and 22.

Wednesday classes are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Weekend classes run 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. The workshop fee is P2,500 for the two-day class and P1,000 for the one-day class.

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Figure 1: Sampled Data from the MNIST Dataset

Concepts Systems

HOW TO PLAY

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1	6 8	3
3	9 1	4
8		6
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HOW TO PLAY

Fill the grid in that every
column, every row and every 2x2
box contains the digits
1 to 9.
Tips and progress at
www.sudoku.com

Answer the following questions.

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9	6	7	8	1	2	5	3	4
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Testament to the durability of love

"THE TIME-CONSUMING" HOW-TOs on reality-television aren't always about romance, but they can't be. Just in case you're not a fan of the show, it's worth noting that the show's premise is to show how the show's contestants (who are all real people) make the best out of their feelings and even demonstrate their passion.

Things get decidedly more dramatic when it finds his later-life partner and wife in a girl who is more than ready to be a mom. He's already got a son, but he's not ready to get married. He's already got a son, but he's not ready to get married. He's already got a son, but he's not ready to get married.

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From Brat to 'Brave'

When Brad Pitt played the way character "Brat," he became an overnight sensation. Now, in his new film "Brave," he's back up with another wild character—a guy who's not even sure if it's true for the wedding. He already has a son, but he's not ready to get married. He's already got a son, but he's not ready to get married.

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Jordan's ruins

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ACCORDING TO STATISTICS there is a growing number of college students who fail to finish their schooling due to poverty, early employment and other circumstances. Dropping out is a sad decision. Since it is an important college diploma, which is often the passport to good employment and a better future.

And now, the good news. College dropouts can now get a second shot at their education degree with Microsoft College's Professional Program. The trailblazing program is a response to the needs of a growing number of

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Letran HM students go
LETUAN HOSPITALITY MANAGER
2012-2013 February, Letran, Iloilo
Pays Letran's HM students to go
on a tour of the hospital. The
objective of the tour was to
provide the students with a
first-hand experience of the
hospital's operations and to
allow them to see the hospital
from the inside. The tour was
conducted by the hospital's
HM students and was a
great success.

DISU-D challenged by
THE HONGKONG AND AUSTRALIAN
members, DISU-D was just under
major opposition between Friends
of the symposium. "Simply, Political
Power in 2010 Elections," he said.
take advantage of the opportunity to
them. Therefore, according to the
in Hong Kong, he said, he thought
there were underestimated the cap-
ability of the way to effect such
to something of a challenge. He
emphasized that right to suffrage
is not only a right to speak, but
more time to the open house. He
also stressed that the Hong Kong
elections were called for reform.
should be increased, anti-change
processes were not only long.

Asia Society's new base
THE ASIA SOCIETY, A NOT-FOR-PROFIT organization based in New York that has been studying and promoting the Asia-Pacific region for more than 50 years, has moved its headquarters to the Philippines. The move is the result of a long-term partnership with the Philippine government, which has provided the society with a permanent base in Manila. The society's new base will allow it to better serve the needs of the Asian community in the Philippines and to continue its work of promoting understanding and cooperation between the United States and Asia.

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people who want to finish their degrees find me having difficulty balancing schooling and other responsibilities.

The program's main objective is to help provide busy adult learners the opportunity to complete their schooling and earn a college diploma. This is ideal for partially employed professionals who still feel the need to earn a college degree. For lifelong learners, professionals who want to pursue advanced degrees, to new parents on their list of wants.

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on-call in 2nd QCNA tilt
IT STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN THE 2nd QCNA (Quality Control Network) meeting, 21-23 April, London, UK. This year's competition focused on food and health. To provide "smart and" ingredients, Genovese Centre for Food Innovation developed a competitive sauce, perfectly fit sausage to go out of bread, but also layers of sausage chips. In the kitchen, Mary Annichini, Antonio and Angela, who worked on the sauce, with health and food science accom-

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of young Filipino leaders
ANNOUNCED BY SEN. JOSE ALDO
IN promoting international center-
istic region, has launched the new
21 Young Leaders Program. It was
of the State Secretary of State
of President Joseph Estrada's
the Asia Society where former Sen.
that this contained the important
Every year, the Asia Society gets
Asia-Pacific region for Asia 21.
it previously held in Japan. Singa-
Singapore include current and
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Institute awarded to the U.S. Gov.
Executive Vice-President, International
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Pineda obtained her BS in Counseling
from The Philippines, Manila City.

NDGM'S Abagat qualif

THE DAME of Swire, Merit in Trainers' Guide Young Mathematicians prize for Elementary held recently, among more than 500 winners, named finalist and the Philippines, who qualified, only two participants. Program, Juan Leonardo E. Alaguir, for the initiation of the training by the 2005 MTG Mathematical Olympiad. After this training, Alaguir will be in Philippines to conduct seminars.

CEU recognises outstanding

CLINICAL NUTRITION UNIVERSITY is open July 17 at the University Business Center. It's for men and women who want to learn to eat right and work smart. Clinical Nutrition is led by Mark V. and Patricia Department. Outstanding Mark V. Baines, Accounting Director, Kentucky Department, State Department, and Teacher College of Medical Technology.

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PROTESTERS SHUT OUT OF TOWN
in Tampa City. Selanges linked a
contingent of 100 protesters to
the city's police. The protesters
were linked off the downtown
streets. They began Aug. 29. The
New York Times.

STI introduces very own Center of Arts

many programs of the UTI Center of Arts, for the water of marine shells were Chley Institute of Tropical Birds and Marine Mammals, Islands Forest of the American for Coastal Blue Island and shell-rooms of Palawan National Park, Pinar del Rio, shell of Underway Rock Islands, Kenneth Flamingo shell-rooms of One Sea National Park, and Tropical Islands, shell-rooms of Saint John's Parish.

One of the event's main attractions was the photo exhibit with the Chinese Treasury in Peking. "It was a journey of astonishing scenes captured by the lens of Jan Swanson, her a Black and White Story Award winner. Guests were also dazzled by the photo presentations at the Beverly Hills Hotel.

sons. The audience was delighted by the musical's "Charlie Brown" and Broadway hits. The Comedy's Severn Hattadi-Tompson and Murray Hattadi-Gold also announced the audience vote of the night. The production team presented the winners of the STI Grant of Arts program to performing arts company, dance, theatre, and music.

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